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PROCEEDINGS
of
THE TRAVANCORE SRI MULAM ASSEMBLY.

FIRST ASSEMBLY.

NINTH SESSION.

OFFICIAL REPORT.

Wednesday, the 25th November 1936/10th Vrischikam 1112.

The Assembly met again in the Victoria Jubilee Town Hall at Eleven of the Clock, the President presiding.

NEW MEMBER.

Mr. K. R. Narayana Aiyar B. A., M. Sc., took the oath and signed the Rolls.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Primary Schools in Mazhuvannoor.

138. *MR. K. M. KURIAKOSE (*Muvattupuzha II*): Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) when the following three schools in Erapuramkara, Mazhuvannoor *pakuthi*, Kunnatnad taluk, were started ;

(*i*) St. Paul's Primary School ;

(*ii*) St. Thomas Primary School ;

(*iii*) Saraswathivilasam Primary School ;

(*b*) the distance between these three schools ;

(*c*) whether the St. Thomas Primary School was started by the Manager at the instigation of the department ;

(*d*) whether objection was raised by anybody before sanction was given to start the Saraswathivilasam Primary School ; if so, by whom ;

(*e*) who was the officer directly responsible for recommending the sanction for the Saraswathivilasam Primary School ;

(*f*) what is the strength in Class IV of the Vernacular Middle School at Kunnakurudy ; and

(*g*) what is the distance between the Saraswathivilasam School and Kunnakurudy V. M. School?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*) :

(*a*) St. Paul's Primary School, Airapuram ... 21-10-1098.
St. Thomas ... ... 27-12-1099.
Saraswathivilasam ... ... 2-10-1102.

[Mr. C. V. Chandrasekharan].

(*b*) Airapuram St. Paul's Primary School to Airapuram St. Thomas Primary School 1½ miles.

Airapuram Saraswathivilasam Primary School is 6 furlongs to the south of St. Paul's Primary School and about a mile to the north-west of the St. Thomas Primary School.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) Yes; by the managers of the Airapuram St. Thomas Primary School and the Airapuram St. Paul's Primary School and also by the Assistant Inspector of Schools, Alwaye.

(*e*) Sry. Bhagirathi Amma, Assistant Inspectress, District VI (old) Alwaye.

(*f*) 22.

(*g*) 1 mile 4 furlongs.

MR. K. M. KURIAKOSE (*Muvattupuzha II*): Will the Government be pleased to say whether in recommending sanction for the Saraswathivilasam Primary School the Assistant Inspectress had stated that the distance between the two Primary schools is less than three miles?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag Director of Public Instruction*): No, Sir

MR. K. M. KURIAKOSE (*Muvattupuzha II*): May I know whether the same Assistant Inspectress refused to sanction the school now occupied by the St. Thomas Primary school on the ground that it is very near the old school?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): The Assistant Inspectress has no power to refuse applications. The Director of Public Instruction rejected the earlier applications.

MR. K. M. KURIAKOSE (*Muvattupuzha II*): On what grounds?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): It happened about 15 years ago. At that time the Director might have thought that the management was not satisfactory or that another school was not necessary in the locality.

MR. K. M. KURIAKOSE (*Muvattupuzha II*): May I know whether one of the reasons is that it is very close to the old school existing there?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): No, Sir. That reason would not have arisen as the Saraswathivilasam Primary School is a girls' school and the other two schools are boys' schools.

MR. K. M. KURIAKOSE (*Muvattupuzha II*): May I know whether in refusing the applications it was considered that the girls' school may very well be accommodated in the old school?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): No, Sir. It was because the Director was satisfied that there was not sufficient accommodation in the other two schools that the third school was sanctioned.

MR. K. M. KURIAKOSE (*Muvattupuzha II*): May I know why in view of the objection raised by the Boys' Department the school was sanctioned?

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MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): The Boys' Department cannot dictate to the Director. He looks into all the aspects of the matter before sanctioning a new school.

MR. K. M. KURIAKOSE (*Muvattupuzha II*): May I know whether the grant for the St. Paul's Primary School was withheld because this school was sanctioned?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): It was withheld for some time but it was subsequently restored.

MR. K. M. KURIAKOSE (*Muvattupuzha II*): May I know whether it is proper to sanction the fourth class in the Saraswathivilasam Primary School in view of the fact that the Malayalam Middle School at Kunnakurudy has only a strength of 22 students in the fourth class and that it is close to the other school?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*) All relevant points will be carefully considered before the fourth class is sanctioned.

Fort Government Hospital.

139. *MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether there is restriction in the Government Hospital within the Fort at Trivandrum in regard to the admission of non-caste Hindus as in-patients?

MR. JAMES SIMPSON (*Darbar Physician*): Yes; but steps will be taken to remove the restriction.

MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*): How long will it take to have the restriction removed?

MR. JAMES SIMPSON (*Darbar Physician*): It is a question for future action.

Treatment of Tuberculosis patients.

140. *MR. T. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara II*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have considered the advisability of temporary buildings being put up in commercial localities for the treatment of patients suffering from tuberculosis until the proposed sanatorium in South Travancore is opened?

MR. JAMES SIMPSON (*Darbar Physician*): The answer is in the negative.

MR. T. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara II*): My original question was about temporary buildings being put up in *convenient* localities; but it has been printed as *commercial* localities.

PRESIDENT: I was myself surprised at that question. I have now perused the original copy of the question sent by the member. I think the mistake that was made is a justifiable mistake. I hope the honourable member will not think that I am unduly criticising his handwriting.

MR. T. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara II*): May I know whether the Government are aware that tuberculosis patients are on the increase year after year?

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